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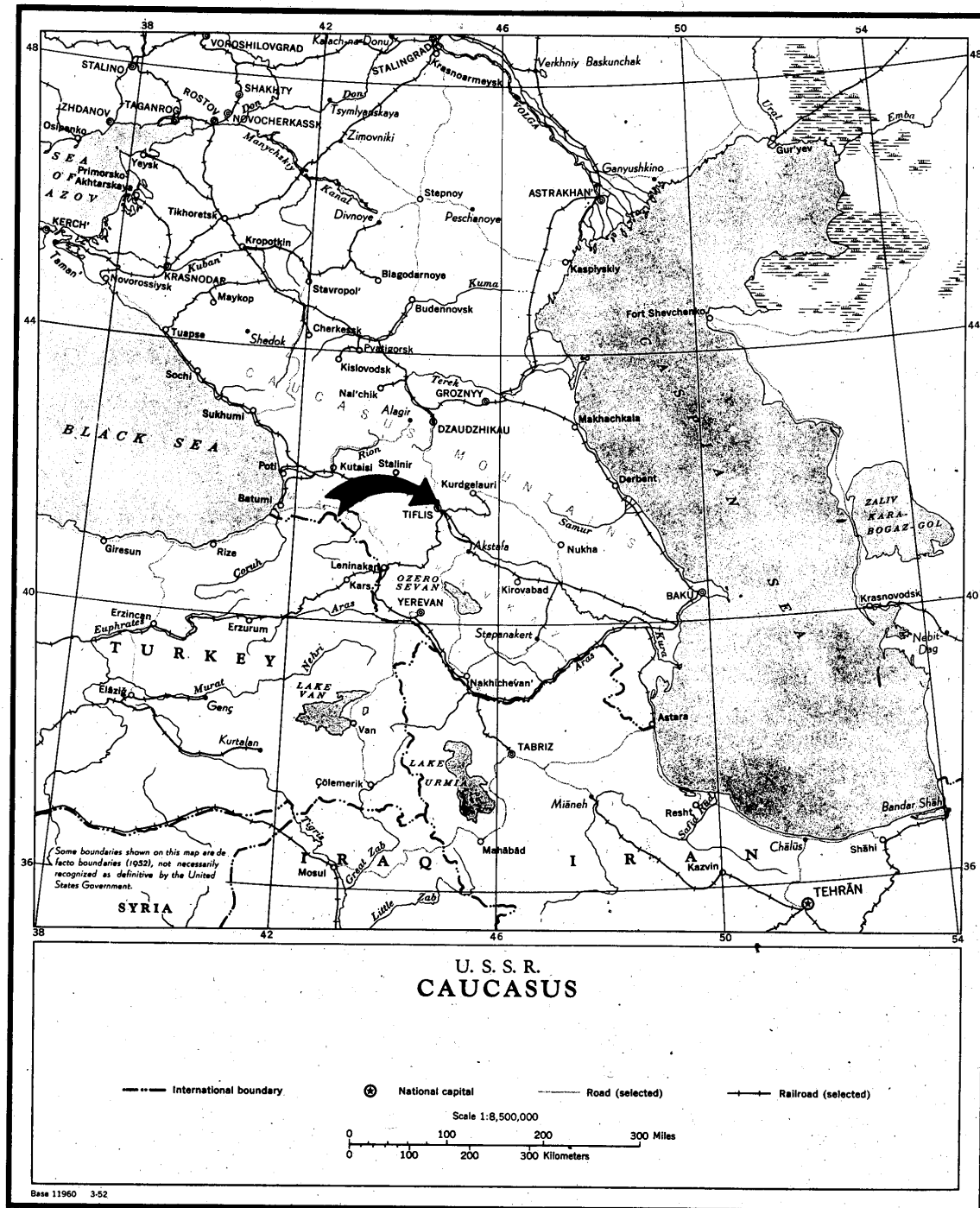
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Avchala Military Camp is situated approximately five nautical miles north-northeast of Tbilisi, in the foothills of the Kakhetinskiy range of the Caucasus Mountains (See orientation map). The camp is bounded on the north by an intermittent stream which flows directly west into the Kura River and on the south by the Avlabarskoye reservoir. This installation was formerly reported to have been probably the largest military camp in the Tbilisi area. A comparison of 1942 and 1957-58 photography covering the area shows a possible change in the function of this installation and a marked reduction in the scope of activity. On the 1942 photography this installation appeared to be a military storage depot, with numerous warehouse-type buildings and extensive open storage. The 1957-58 photography reveals that most of the warehouses have been dismantled, and that there is little if any open storage. The addition of a permanent-type barracks area, a firing range, and a small ammunition storage facility to this installation suggests that it may now be used primarily as a military training camp.

Certain features of this installation represented on the line drawing are identified in the following list of annotations. Item numbers in the list correspond with those used on the graphic.

1. Probable warehouses under construction.
2. Former building and tent sites.
3. Possible motor pool.
4. Probable ammunition storage; three large gable-roofed buildings and two smaller buildings within a fenced area.
5. Probable permanent-type barracks.
6. Possible firing butt.
7. Tower.
8. Trench systems.
9. Possible headquarters building.

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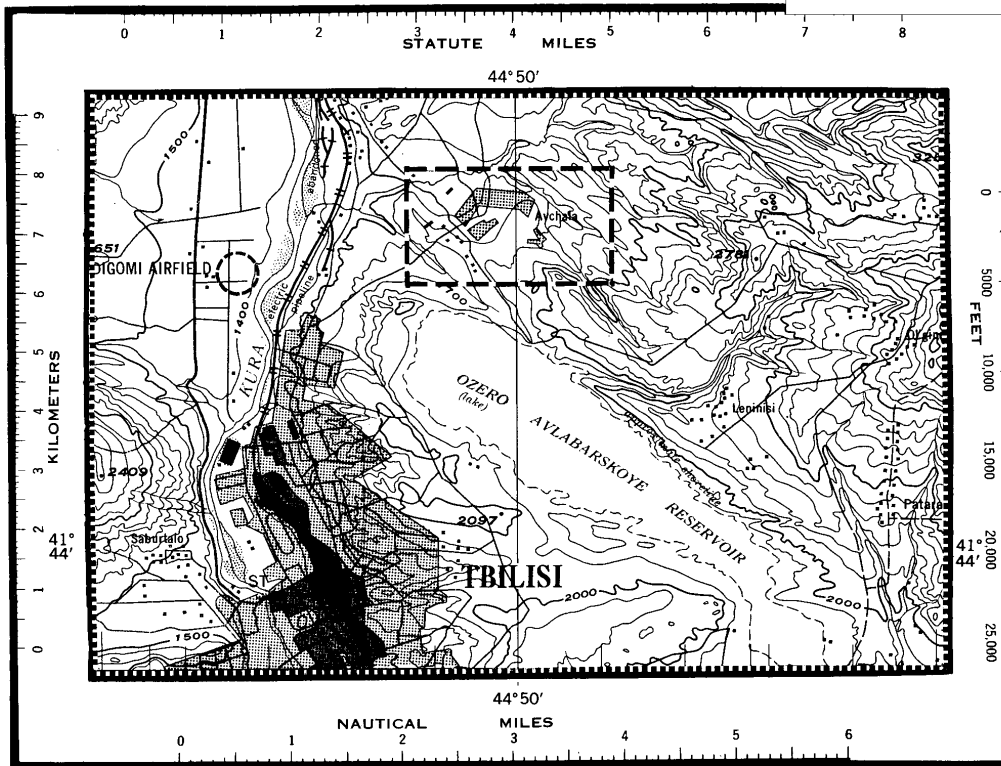
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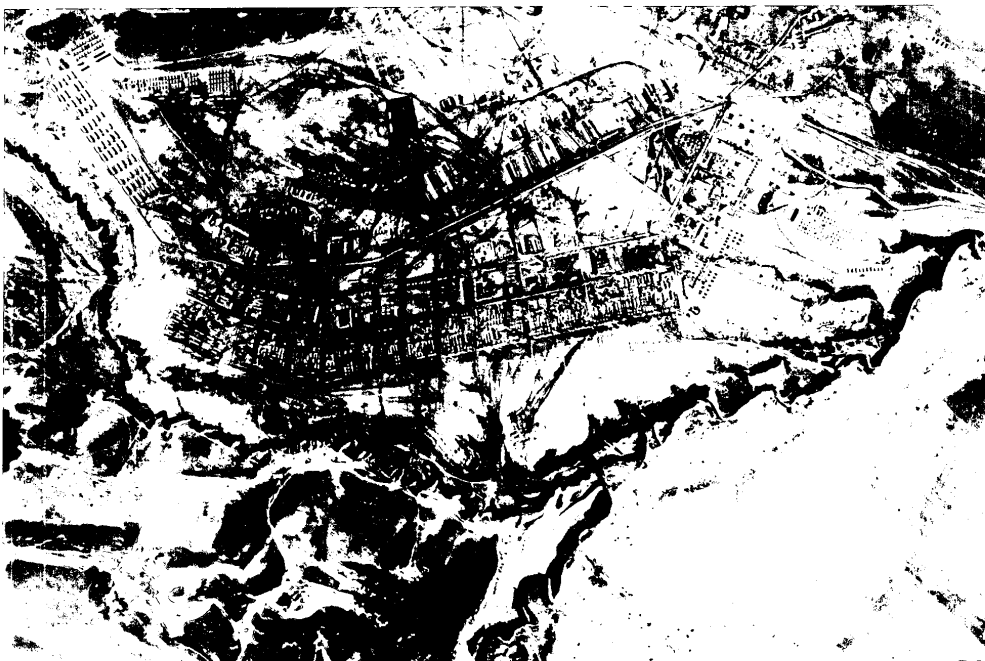
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ORIENTATION MAP



AVCHALA MILITARY CAMP FROM 1942

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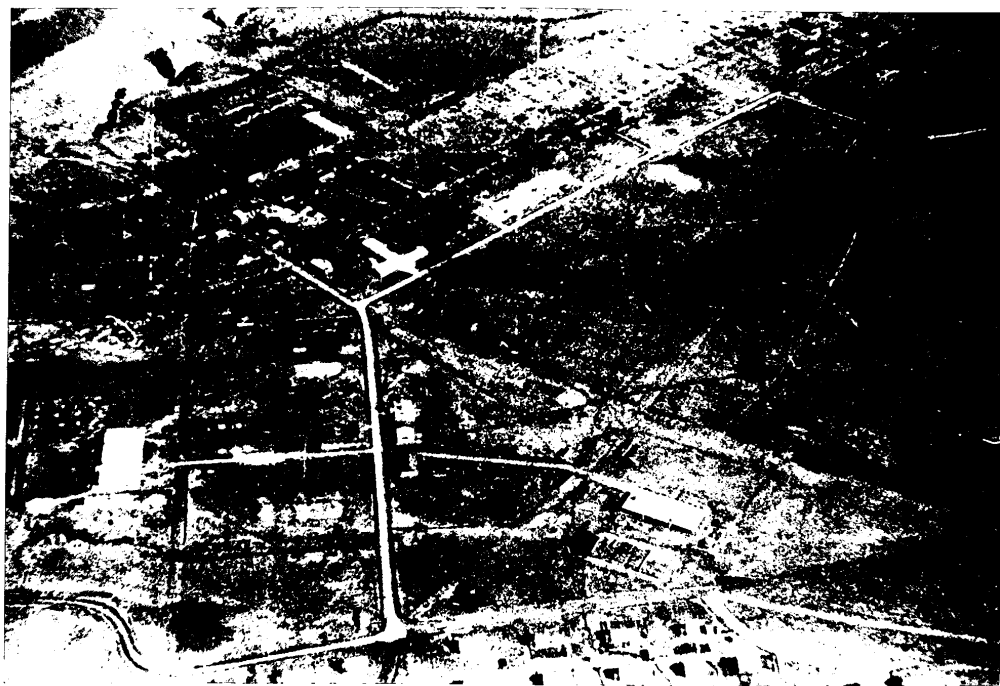
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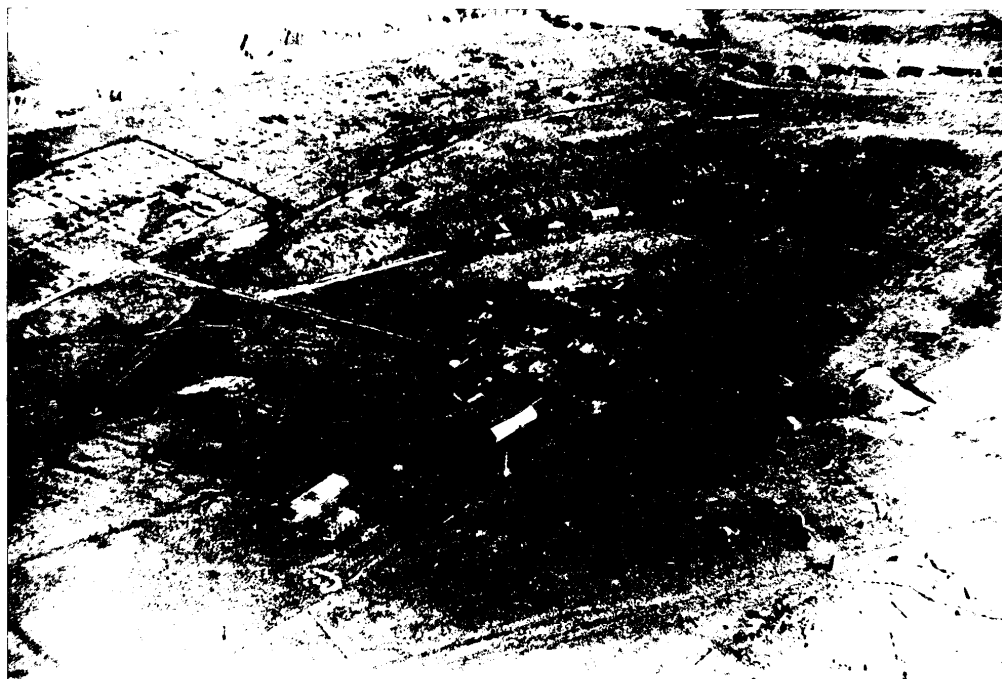
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AVCHALA MILITARY CAMP. FOREGROUND: BARRACKS AND WAREHOUSES. BACKGROUND: WAREHOUSES, POSSIBLE MOTOR POOL AND TRACK ACTIVITY.



AVCHALA MILITARY CAMP. FOREGROUND: TRENCHES, TOWER, FIRING RANGE, AND WAREHOUSES. BACKGROUND: POSSIBLE HEADQUARTERS BUILDING, AMMUNITION STORAGE, FORMER BUILDING AND TENT SITES.

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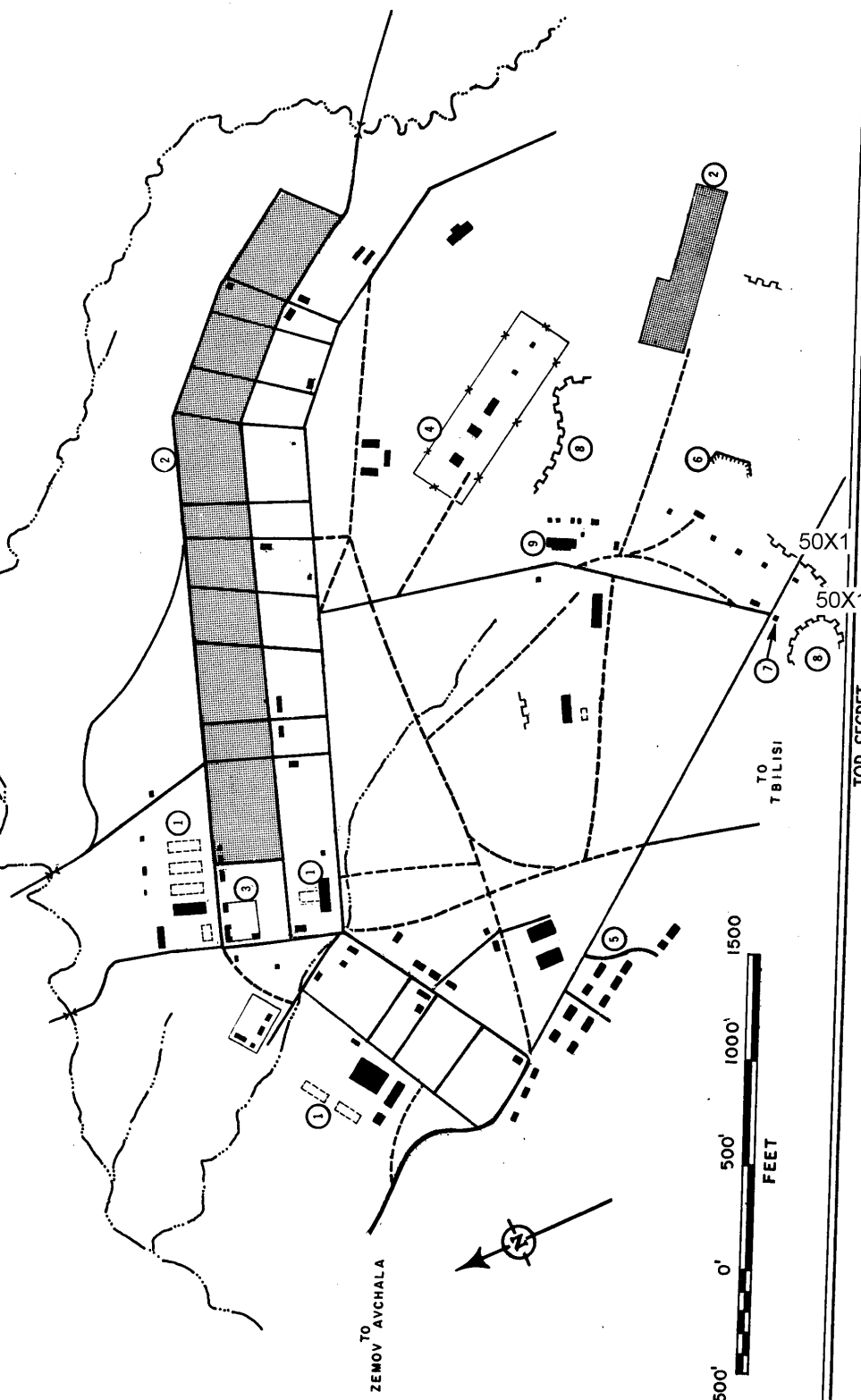
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